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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 302.341, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to limitations on revenues derived from traffic violations occurring on certain highways within the state.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 302.341, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 302.341, to read as follows:

302.341. If a Missouri resident charged with a moving traffic violation of this state or any county or municipality of this state fails to dispose of the charges of which he is accused through authorized prepayment of fine and court costs and fails to appear on the return date or at any subsequent date to which the case has been continued, or without good cause fails to pay any fine or court 5 costs assessed against him for any such violation within the period of time specified or in such installments as approved by the court or as otherwise provided by law, any court having jurisdiction over the charges shall within ten days of the failure to comply inform the defendant by ordinary mail at the last 10 address shown on the court records that the court will order the director of revenue to suspend the defendant's driving privileges if the charges are not 11 disposed of and fully paid within thirty days from the date of mailing. Thereafter, 1213 if the defendant fails to timely act to dispose of the charges and fully pay any 14 applicable fines and court costs, the court shall notify the director of revenue of 15 such failure and of the pending charges against the defendant. Upon receipt of 16 this notification, the director shall suspend the license of the driver, effective immediately, and provide notice of the suspension to the driver at the last 17 18 address for the driver shown on the records of the department of revenue. Such 19 suspension shall remain in effect until the court with the subject pending charge requests setting aside the noncompliance suspension pending final disposition, or 20

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38 39 satisfactory evidence of disposition of pending charges and payment of fine and court costs, if applicable, is furnished to the director by the individual. Upon proof of disposition of charges and payment of fine and court costs, if applicable, and payment of the reinstatement fee as set forth in section 302.304, the director shall reinstate the license. The filing of financial responsibility with the bureau of safety responsibility, department of revenue, shall not be required as a condition of reinstatement of a driver's license suspended solely under the provisions of this section. If any city, town or village receives more than forty-five percent of its total annual revenue from fines for traffic violations occurring on state highways, city roads, town roads, village roads, county roads, or any highway as that term is defined in section 302.010, all revenues from such violations in excess of forty-five percent of the total annual revenue of the city, town or village shall be sent to the director of the department of revenue and shall be distributed annually to the schools of the county in the same manner that proceeds of all penalties, forfeitures and fines collected for any breach of the penal laws of the state are distributed. For the purpose of this section the words "state highways" shall mean any state or federal highway, including any such highway continuing through the boundaries of a city, town or village with a designated street name other than the state highway number.

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